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EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The above references were cited in a Search Report rendered by the European Patent Office during examination of the counterpart European application. English translations of these references are not readily available to the Applicant, each of the references has an English language Abstract attached thereto, which constitutes a summary of its teachings.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application, and therefore, this Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

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All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination, or in combination with any of the previously submitted references. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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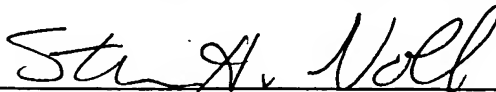
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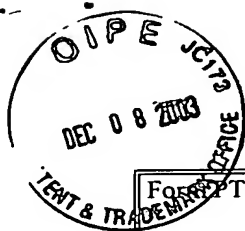
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